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MR. HARNEY: My name's Corbin Harney. I'm a

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- 23 Shoshone Indian from Nevada here. I appreciate each
- 24 and every one of you here this evening. You are the
- 25 one that's going to put a stop TO this nonsense of what

- 1 the DOE's been putting down.
- 2 (APPLAUSE)
- 3 It's been going on so long, telling lies
- 4 after lies. Changing their policies and so forth.
- 5 Like we have been saying right along for many, many
- 6 years, I've been around here for 25 years, and I know
- 7 Yucca Mountain is not a safe place to put any kind
- 8 nuclear waste. It's not a mountain to begin with, like
- 9 they've been telling us. All it is, just a rolling
- 10 hill. And we, the people, always talked about that.
- 11 That's a moving mountain to begin with. Because it's
- 12 got a snake there, it's going to continue to move.
- 13 Today, you, each and every one of you know that's
- 14 pretty close to a volcanic, 7 volcanic buttes there.
- 15 Underneath is hot water that's causing lot of frictions
- 16 in that tunnel, and today they're telling you it's
- 17 safe, it's not dangerous, but how come if it's not

- 18 dangerous, many, many my people die from cancer?
- 19 Caused from radiation.

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- 20 (APPLAUSE)
- Think about your grandchildren, your children
- 22 and so forth down the line. How many more are they
- 23 going to kill before they say this is dangerous? Let's
- 24 not let this happen. I'm counting on you and each and
- 25 every one of you. This town, in Las Vegas, if any

- 1 accident ever happens, on the highway, railroad,
- 2 whatever, they're going to shut this down. There will
- 3 be nobody here coming into Nevada. A beautiful land
- 4 that we, the people, can take care of. Beautiful water
- 5 come out of those mountains, but whose contaminating
- 6 it? The DOE. It's really sad to see those things
- 7 happening.
- 8 We had to buy water today. How good is that
- 9 water that we're buying? And they continue to spend
- 10 millions and billions of dollars coming out of your
- 11 pocket.
- Let's do something about this together. I
- 13 think we can change the direction. Let's change this
- 14 DOE and put it to a better use than what they've been

- 15 doing to us. We the people today is suffering, and
- 16 we're going to continue to suffer if this continues on.

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- 17 We know in that part of the country, my people enjoy
- 18 those land for thousands and thousands of years. They
- 19 survived from that land. And today, they survive from
- 20 those at one time, but today, there's nothing out
- 21 there, because the radiation is killing everything on
- 22 this face of this earth today. Not only here in
- 23 Nevada, it's round the world.
- I wish we can all stand up and tell the DOE
- 25 we don't want this country of chemical, poison in the

- 1 Nevada state at all. I hope that we can all say no to
- 2 the DOE. This is what we got to have to say if we are
- 3 going to have a voice in this at all. Not let them
- 4 telling us what they can do ramming it down our throat.
- 5 This is what happened to us from the
- 6 beginning. We are today the native people holding an
- 7 empty bag. In other words, a promise is promise.
- 8 Nothing happens in promise. It's the same thing going
- 9 on for another few hundred years that I know of. Since
- 10 '53, since I have been here, my people suffered and
- 11 they using a native land throughout the country to bury

- 12 this poison. Let's not let this happen. This is all
- 13 we got to do, join hands together, enjoy the land,

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- 14 enjoy the earth. What we can survive from, what we can
- 15 drink from.
- We have to think about the younger
- 17 generation, the future generation as they say, but
- 18 they're not thinking about them. They're thinking
- 19 about theirself. So far. That I see. This is
- 20 something that I'm going to say to you. You are the
- 21 one that's going to have to do something for your
- 22 younger generation. If you don't think about them,
- 23 they're going to be the one to suffer, and their life's
- 24 going to end like what's happening today throughout the
- 25 country. Maybe we just saying -- maybe they are just

- 1 saying a good thing, but it's not true at all, whatever
- 2 they say. Look at what they've been doing to you
- 3 people. Statements after statements that we presented
- 4 to them. You think they go through every and each one
- 5 of them? No. They can't. There's no way they can do
- 6 those things. This is what's happening today, so
- 7 telling you people a lie, there's no statement coming
- 8 from them that's really true. It's all a lie to begin with. Thank you.